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WASHINGTON, July 26.-Chairman Babcock and Vice Chairman Hull of the Republican Congressional Campaign Committee, reached Washington this morning in the course of their Eastern tour of observation, and spent the forenoon in conference with Representative Loudenslager, who is in charge of the Eastern headquarters of the committee. Since Congress adjourned Babcock has been in Chicago establishing the main headquarters of the committee, and has also visited several States of the Middle West, while he has been in communication with all the States where Congressional contests will rage this fall. Babcock is an old campaigner, the successful general of several Republican Congressional victories. His estimates of the political situation have invariably proven correct in the past, and he is regarded in official circles as the possessor of political sagacity of a high order. His views, therefore, upon the outlook at this time will be of value. "The situation as I have found i

thus far," said Mr. Babcock today, 'is entirely satisfactory so far as the na tional ticket is concerned. Republicans are satisfied with their ticket and their platform. I see no reason to think that McKinley and Roosevelt will run behind the vote which was given McKinley and Hobart. Furthermore, the Republicans are contented with the Democratic platform and ticket, if the expression can be used. If we had been permitted to make up the Democratic platform and name the candidates we would not have concocted a mixture more acceptable to Republican prospects than that jumble of Bryanism, Populism, free silver and other isms, oceat on the side

"But when it comes to the consideration of the Congressional outlook I find some unusual conditions. There are the Gold Democrats, for instance, who stood by us in 1896 and again in 1898. They will vote for the Republican national ticket, for the can't swallow the free silver heresy presented to them by the Democratic party, and yet many of them will support the Democratic candidates for Congress and for legislative and local offices. There are indications that in many districts the local differences of the Democrats, while acute upon national issues will be healed with respect to the Congressional ticket, and the Republican vote will suffer to that extent. I find that situation to exist in the East as well as in the West. Many people ask why all this concern about the House. If the national ticket wins won't it pull the Congressional ticket through with it? People do not stop to think how the Republicans are handicapped by the great delegation sent by the solid South, the like of which

we have not in our party.
"The South will send 120 Democratic Representatives to Congress from States that will also give their electoral votes to the Democratic candidates. That is a big nucleus, a certain nucleus, which nothing can prevent, and around which the Democrats have in the past gathered their majorities. For our part, States which will give their electoral votes to the Republicans will at the same time have 40 per cent of their Congressional delegations Democratic. Just look at the Demo-

cratic Representatives in this Congress from New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and other strongholds of Republicanism on national issues. The election of Republican electors from the State of New York is not going to pull through Republican Representatives from the New York City districts. "West of the Missouri river we will

have to fight to hold what we already have. In the Northwest there are some districts which are too close in their pluralities to be comfortable. We will push into New York, Pennsylvania and Massachusetts to make gains to offset Our Ice Cream "par excellence" The Finest almost certain losses in some of the Middle West districts. The fight will come to a point where every vote will count. Take the Third Pennsylvania district, for instance. For years they have returned a Gold Democrat, Mc-Aleer, the Republicans voting for him. But that is a Republican district, and I hope they will put up a Republican there and make a hot canvass. in which event I think they can elect Republican. We will need his vote and every other that we can get to keep up our majority in the House. If the negro vote in North Carolina is disfranchised we will never get another Republican Representative from that State, where we have often had two or

"This may seem rather a discouraging outlook to Republicans, but these are the facts, which all Republicans must face, and the sooner they do so and get down to work the better off they will be. We have a big fight before us that will require personal ef-forts on the part of every man."

BIRTH OF THE GREAT

Story of First Convention and the Great Free State Contest

The national Republican convention third held by the party in that city. The first, says the Philadelphia Press, Telephone White 121 : P. O. Box 552.

politics, with Fremont and Dayton as its candidates. The second was in 1872, when Grant and Wilson were made the nominees. Chicago secured the convention five times—in 1860, 1868, 1880, 1884 and 1888. It was held in Baltimore in 1892 and in St. Louis in 1896. There are about a dozen of the survivors of the convention of 1856 and these have been invited as guests of the assembly of 1900. The career of the Whig party practically terminated with the campaign of 1852. Its timid position on the question of slavery made in an impotent antagonist of the Democracy and its place was taken by the Republican

party, which, although possessing or-

ganizations in various States, had no

national organization until 1856. The preliminary arrangements were conducted in Pittsburg on Washington's birthday of that year, and a convention was called to meet in Philadelphia on While the Pittsburg conference was in session the American or "Know Nothing" party had nominated ex-President Millard Fillmore of New York for President and Andrew J. Donelson of Tennessee for Vice President. There was a secession from this convention by delegates, who resisted the attempt of the national council of the party to dictate the platform for the convention, and who objected to the nomination of any candidates who were not in favor of interdicting slav- the best bathing district. This propery in territory north of 36 degrees 30

minutes, by Congressional action. The seceders nominated John C. Fremont of California for President and ex-Governor William F. Johnston of Pennsylvania for Vice President. The Democrats met in Cincinnati on June 2. On the seventeenth ballot James Buchanan of Pennsylvania was nominated for President, his competitors having been President Pierce of New Hampshire and Stephen A. Douglas of Illinois. When the Republican convention assembled it contained representatives from all of the Northern States and Delaware, Maryland and Kentucky. rules as to the ratio of representation. An informal ballot was taken upon the first class investment.

nomination for President, and John C. Fremont polled 358; John McLean of Ohio, 196; Charles Sumner of Massachusetts, 2, and William H. Seward of New York, 1. For Vice President, William L. Dayton of New Jersey polled 296; Abraham Lincoln of Illinois, 110; Nathaniel P. Banks of Massachusetts. 46; David Wilmot of Pennsylvania, 43; Charles Sumner, 35; Jacob Collamer of Vermont, 15; John A. King of New York, 9; S. C. Pomeroy of Kansas, 8; Thomas Ford of Ohio, 7; Henry Wilson of Massachusetts, 5; Cassius M. Clay of Kentucky, 4; William F. Johnston of Pennsylvania, 2. It is believed that Freemont's availability consisted in his popularity as the "Pathfinder," and the fact that he was already the nominee of the seceders from the American party. The list of candidates before the

convention included the names of men already celebrated and of some who were to become illustrious. Lincoln was to become President, Seward his Secretary of State, and Wilson Vice President during Grant's second term. The delegates had assembled in pursuance to a call addressed to the people of the United States without regard

to past political differences or divisions who were opposed to the repeal of the Missouri compromise, to the policy of the Pierce administration, to the extension of slavery into free territory, and in favor of admitting Kansas as a free State and of "restoring the action of the Federal government to the principles of Washington and Jefferson." The platform advocated the preservation of the Federal constitution, the rights of the States and the union of the States, and was largely taken up with the slavery question. There was no mention of the tariff or the currency in the initial national platform of the Republican party.

The Whigs met at Baltimore on September 17 and nominated Tilmore and Donelson, who were already the candidates of the American party. After a stormy campaign Buchanan was elected, receiving 174 electoral votes to 114 for Fremont and 8 for Fillmore. On the popular vote Buchanan had 1.838.169: Fremont, 1,341,264, and Fillmore, 874,534. Buchanan carried the States of New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina , Georgia, Alabama, Florida, Mississippi, Louisiana, Tex-as, Arkansas, Missouri, Tennessee, Kentucky, Indiana, Illinois and California. Fremont carried Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts. Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, Ohio, Michigan, Wisconsin and

Iowa. Fillmore's capture was the solitary State of Maryland. Fremont did not achieve a personal victory, but as he was the heroic "pioneer" of the "Rockies," the great "Pathfinder," so did he blaze the way to the Republican party, and Philadelphia will be ever memorable as the scene of the first Republican national convention.

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